MINUTES City Council Joint Special Called Meeting City of Archdale/County of Randolph February 6, 2023

Members Present: Lewis Dorsett, Mayor; Roger Blackwell, Mayor Pro Tem; Council Members: John Glass, Robert (Trey) Gray, Kelly Grooms, and Tim Williams.

Members Absent: Larry Warlick.

Others Present: Zeb Holden, City Manager; Beth Koonce, City Attorney; and Susan Swaim, City Clerk;

Commissioners Present: Darrell Frye, Chairman; Commissioners Allen, Haywood, Kidd, and McDowell.

Others Present: Hal Johnson, County Manager; Will Massie, Assistant County Manager/Finance Officer; Ben Morgan, County Attorney; Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney; and Dana Crisco, Clerk to the Board.

Media Present: None

Item 1. Call to Order.

Commissioner Frye called the joint special called meeting to order for the County of Randolph.

Mayor Dorsett called the joint special called meeting to order for the City of Archdale.

Item 2. Public Hearing: To Consider Entering into an Economic Development Incentives Contract with an unnamed corporation (Project Superman).

Crystal Gettys, RCEDC, addressed Commissioners and Councilmembers. Ms. Gettys provided information regarding Project Superman. She shared that the unnamed corporation is a plastics manufacturer based in Ohio with multiple locations in the US, Canada, and Mexico. Ms. Gettys reported that North Carolina along with another state is being considered for the new plant location to better serve their existing customer base. She stated the company plans to build a 200,000 square foot facility and create 129 new full-time jobs with an average wage above the county's currently reported average wage. Ms. Gettys advised that state and local incentives will have a major impact on the company's location decision and provided qualification information for state provided incentives. She advised the proposed local economic development incentives to be paid over a five-year period totaling \$656,498.00 of which \$440,613.00 to be paid by the County and \$215,885.00 to be paid by the City. Ms. Gettys shared that the company plans to make their final location decision contingent upon each state and community formally approving the incentives offered including a full review of each offer.

She stated that the RCEDC believes Project Superman is an exceptional economic development project for the City and County and will increase the value of property,

generate investment, and result in the creation of 129 quality new jobs. Ms. Gettys further stated the RCEDC requests the City and County approve the Resolution offering a total of \$656,498.00 in local incentives over a five-year period contingent upon state incentive approval to encourage the company's decision makers to located in Archdale, North Carolina.

Chairman Frye opened the public hearing for the County of Randolph.

Mayor Dorsett opened the public hearing for the City of Archdale.

There was no one to speak in support or opposition of the proposed economic development incentives contract.

Chairman Frye closed the public hearing for the County of Randolph.

Mayor Dorsett closed the public hearing for the City of Archdale.

With no further discussion, Chairman Frye made a motion to approve the incentives for Project Superman for the County of Randolph. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kidd and was approved unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the City of Archdale to enter into an Economic Development Incentives Contract. The motion was seconded by Councilman Glass and was approved unanimously.

Ms. Gettys thanked County Commissioners and City Councilmembers for their consideration of Project Superman, as well as Project Dove (Lancaster) and Project Red Oak (Sumitomo) before. She reminded them of the proactive site work that was completed on this property such as boundary surveys, soil tests, and preliminary civil engineering. The EDC, Randolph County, Archdale, and Samet Corporation shared the costs of this site prep work, and it will pay big dividends if Project Superman selects Archdale. Project Superman's expedited timeline would not fit for most sites as a result of basic due diligence which had already been completed there.

Mayor Dorsett thanked the Commissioners, staff, and RCEDC for working together on this project.

3. Adjournment.

Commissioner Allen made a motion to adjourn the February 6, 2023 joint special called meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kidd and was approved unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Blackwell made a motion to adjourn the February 6, 2023 joint special called meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Glass and was approved unanimously.

is W. Dorsett, Mayor

ATTEST:

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